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1ST ADD NIGHT LEAD DONOVAN NEW YORK (AB3N) X X X U.S.
GOVERNMENT.

DONOVAN SAID THAT HE SPENT 10 DAYS NEGOTIATING WITH RUSSIAN REPRESENTATIVES IN EAST BERLIN. HE SAID HE NEGOTIATED NOT ONLY FOR THE POWERS-ABEL EXCHANGE BUT ALSO FOR THE RELEASE OF MAKINEN. HE SAID HE WAS ACTING UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT. HE SAID HE HAD NOT BEEN IN TOUCH WITH MAKINEN'S FAMILY AND DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THEY KNEW THAT THE NAME OF THEIR SON HAD BEEN BROUGHT UP IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

DONOVAN CONFIRMED EARLIER REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON THAT POWERS GOT OFF THE AIR FORCE C121 PLANE AT DOVER AIR FORCE BASE IN DELAWARE EARLY THIS MORNING DURING A 17-MINUTE STOP. DONOVAN AND OTHERS ON THE PLANE CONTINUED ON TO ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE NEAR WASHINGTON.

THE ATTORNEY SAID THAT AFTER CONFERRING WITH STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS HE RETURNED TO HIS HOME HERE.

DONOVAN SAID THAT A SURGEON CHECK OVER POWERS DURING THEIR FLIGHT THAT BEGAN YESTERDAY FROM WIESBADEN, GERMANY.

POWERS, HE SAID, APPEARED "IN VERY GOOD PHYSICAL AND MENTAL CONDITION." HE ADDED THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH THE U2 PILOT UNTIL THEY MET IN GERMANY AFTER THE EXCHANGE.

POWERS, HE SAID, DISCUSSED HIS U2 FLIGHT WITH HIM DURING THE TRIP BACK TO THE UNITED STATES. HE SAID POWERS ALSO TALKED ABOUT VARIOUS ASPECTS OF HIS IMPRISONMENT.

POWERS MADE SOME RUGS WHILE IN THE RUSSIAN PRISON, DONOVAN SAID. AND BROUGHT THEM BACK HOME WITH HIM.

THE ATTORNEY SAID HE BELIEVED THE GOVERNMENT-IMPOSED SECRECY CONCERNING POWERS' WHEREABOUTS WAS BECAUSE "THE GOVERNMENT FEELS POWERS IS ENTITLED TO A LITTLE PRIVACY."

MAKINEN WAS PUT ON TRIAL IN KIEV LAST SEPT. 4 AND SENTENCED TO EIGHT YEARS IN PRISON.

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